

TRAVELING JUDGE NIXED

School Starts Tomorrow



—Press Photo
SUMMER DAYS END—A final wave of farewell will be bid to companion of many a happy summer's day tomorrow morning, as more than 6,500 Torrance youngsters return to school for a full day's work in the classrooms. Here 11-year-old Don Latham leaves Penny watching sorrowfully as he departs for Greenwood School.

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City Council Acts to Support Big Harvey Plant Expansion

Supervisors Balk on Courthouse Issue

A letter in which County Supervisor Raymond Darby assured this city that the "door is still open" for the establishment of a local court to serve Torrance, Lomita, and Gardena, was read and filed as a matter of record last night at a meeting of the Torrance City Council.

Realizing that this region is the fastest growing area in Southern California, Darby has joined with the Torrance Press and other civic minded groups in urging the formation of a court to augment the services of the new South Bay Municipal Court in Redondo Beach.

At a recent meeting Darby voiced the opinion that hardship would be imposed on the peoples and cities within the jurisdiction of the new courthouse, if they were forced to travel a distance of five to 15 miles in order to pay a \$2 traffic ticket.

Population Cited
Under the reorganization plan voted two years ago by the electorate, "City Judges" such as that which has served Torrance, were eliminated. The plan calls for a district court in an area comprised over more than 40,000 persons. Torrance alone is rapidly reaching that population figure. With Gardena and Lomita that number is well exceeded.

The County Board of Supervisors, either oblivious to the tremendous growth of this area, or indifferent to the needs of the people, refused to concur with Darby in his request for a traveling circuit judge to serve Torrance, using existing facilities, until funds are available to construct a permanent district court house here.

Court Offered

Torrance city officials offered the use of the city court rooms in City Hall at a nominal yearly fee, if the Supervisors would appoint a traveling judge to hold traffic court one day each week in each of the eight communities which as of January 1953 will be served by the Redondo Beach court.

Chief Says

Torrance Chief of Police John Stroh indicated recently that a serious hardship would be imposed on the various police departments if they were forced to transport prisoners from one place to another. Additional personnel would be needed and the city would be forced to purchase adequate transportation for the prisoners.

Stroh also pointed out that while the City of Torrance had derived a revenue of approximately \$65,000 in traffic violations alone, under the new plan "We will be lucky if we receive \$15,000."

It has been noted that nearly one-fourth of the law cases handled in all courts of the South Bay area come from Torrance.

Sgt. Wm. Rush Awarded Medal

WITH THE 25TH INFANTRY DIV. IN KOREA—Sgt. William T. Rush, 17224 Ardath Ave., Torrance, has been awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge while serving with the 25th Infantry Division in Korea.

The badge is a symbol of the frontline fighting man. It consists of a miniature Revolutionary War rifle mounted on a blue rectangle with a silver wreath.

Sergeant Rush, an S-1 (personnel) sergeant in Headquarters, 2d Battalion of the 25th Infantry Regiment, arrived in Korea last May.

He attended Kings Business College, Charlotte, N. C., and was employed as an accountant by the National Carloading Co., Los Angeles, before entering the Army in November, 1950.

FBI Hunts Perpetrator Of Mean Hoax

Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Office of Naval Intelligence yesterday were studying the report made by a Hollywood Riviera mother who said she was hoaxed by a fake Navy chaplain who told her her son had been wounded in Korea.

The Federal agencies also were studying her report of a threatening telephone call she received early Tuesday from a man who warned that if she wanted trouble she was going to get it.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Lee LeRoi, 240 De Madrid, held a formal notice from Vice-Adm. L. T. DuBose, Chief of Naval Personnel.

"The commanding officer of the USS Pasig advised this bureau that you were notified that your son (Richard E. Barth, 19) had been wounded in action. There is no record on file in this bureau that you were notified of your son's being wounded in action. I am happy to inform you that he

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New Appointee



VEEP — Edgar F. Copenhaver, west coast representative, was recently appointed vice-president of Acrow, Inc., California headquarters of this firm are located in Harbor City.

COPENHAVER MADE ACROW EXECUTIVE

Roland de Vigier, head of Acrow, Inc., manufacturers of construction equipment, has announced the appointment of Edgar F. Copenhaver as vice-president of Acrow, California, Inc., located in Harbor City.

Because of his outstanding service during his two years with the company, Mr. Copenhaver has been presented with a six-week trip to Mexico.

Mr. Copenhaver, who resides in Los Angeles, has been in charge of Acrow's Harbor City plant. He was formerly associated with the Edward Hines Lumber Company. He is a Knight of St. Gregory.

de Vigier made headlines recently when he was granted an annulment from 17-year-old Martha Morris of Torrance, after a whirlwind courtship and very brief marriage.

A second appointment made recently promoted John J. Edmunds to the vice-presidency of Acrow, New Jersey, Inc. Edmunds became associated with Acrow, Inc., in January, 1951.

School Dance

"Back to School" will be the theme of a dance being held Saturday night at Civic Auditorium, under the sponsorship of Torrance High School Tartar-Teens.

Agree to Dominguez Water Company Plan

In what was reportedly a "gentlemen's agreement," the City Council last night agreed to allow the Dominguez Water Co. to continue to supply water to an area which includes a 40-acre tract slated as the site of the multi-million dollar expansion of the Harvey Machine Co. plant at 190th Street and Western Avenue.

Variety Review

'Syncopated Circus' Name Of 'Y' Show

"Syncopated Circus" is the name of the musical and variety show to be sponsored by the Torrance Y. M. C. A. on Oct. 2, 3 and 4, according to an announcement made today by Stan Roberts, executive secretary of the local 'Y'.

Phil Butler, manager of Geller Productions, producers of the show, met with the committee of the Board of Directors and outlined details of the coming presentation.

"Syncopated Circus" is an entirely new show, written by Butler, and to be presented for the first time on the Torrance High School auditorium stage, Roberts disclosed.

The circus theme gives rise to an opportunity for many types of talent to be displayed: From singing of the circus barker, midgets, gypsy woman, little Egypt and dancing of the "stage door johnnies" to the work of a chorus of voices in the latter part of the production, Roberts stated.

The Talent Party, as Mr. Butler calls it, is set for Monday evening, September 15, at the Y.M.C.A., 2080 Washington, at 7:30 p.m. Try-outs and casting will start and the schedule for further rehearsals will be given to those accepted.

For further information on this production, call the Torrance Y.M.C.A. at 1563.

Announce Steel Wage Increases

Compensation of salaried employees of Columbia Steel Corp. will be increased effective March 1, 1952, in varying percentages up to about 11 per cent, Benjamin F. Fairless, president of the parent company, United States Steel Co., announced today.

Recent rumors indicated that Harvey was considering moving the proposed factory to another city, because of various obstacles and the "indifference of local officials."

Escrow Closed
Escrow on the property was closed this week, apparently only after the Dominguez people were assured that the City of Torrance would not stand in the way of the water service.

The gigantic aluminum extrusion and forging plant will be an impressive addition to Torrance industrial facilities, and will at some future date, add considerable tax revenue to the city coffers.

Presses
The \$20,000,000 plant will be federally owned but operated by the local Harvey firm. Part of the Air Force's \$365,000,000 heavy press program, the facility will include two aluminum extrusion presses of 5,000 tons and 20,000 tons, and two heavy forging presses of 25,000 tons each.

Unofficial estimates of future employment have run as high as 3,000 persons. The existing Harvey plant reportedly employs 2,500 persons. When completed, the huge plant will provide west coast aircraft manufacturers with access to extrusions and forgings for the development and manufacture of structural assemblies of great size and strength which will mean faster, stronger, and better aircraft for the future.

Ad Finds New Home for Dog

The wonders of classified advertising will never cease for Mrs. Effa Williamson of 20813 Shearer Ave., Keystone.

Last week she ran the following ad in the Torrance Press Classified section.

Good German police guard dog 1 year, friendly. Pay for ad, and dog is yours. Ph. Ter. 4-1953.

Beginning early Thursday morning, shortly after the Press was distributed, Mrs. Williamson started receiving calls from persons who could provide a good home for the dog.

"I got 13 calls from the ad, and found a couple who were thrilled with the dog. A paper that gets such fine results for its readers is a real asset to the community," Mrs. Williamson said.

You can get the same results, too. Place your action-packed Press Classified by calling Torrance 1185 or 1186.

Red Feather Group To Kickoff Here

Red Feather volunteers, representing Torrance's commerce and industry group, begin calling on large stores and industrial plants Monday morning as the 1952 Community Chest campaign gets off to an early start.

This small group, headed by Ed Karlow, will contact the larger stores and plants in Torrance, seeking the firm and executive gifts.

Working with Karlow will be Dr. Arthur Berke, R. J. Deinger, John Ebbinghouse, Bob Haggard, Park Montague, and George W. Post. Two more men will be appointed before the Mon-

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'Kiddies Told Where to Line Up For School Bus Stops Friday

With the opening of schools in Torrance tomorrow, more than 6,500 students will resume their studies where they were left off on a Friday, just 12 short weeks ago.

The school administration this week announced the bus routes for school bus runs for the ensuing year.

They are as follows: High School.

Run No. 1—Serving Walteria area: Stops to be at Newton & 101 Hwy.,—Newton & Cricklewood, Newton and Winlock, Newton and Park, Hawthorne and 244th Street, First stop Newton and 101 Hwy., at approximately 7:15 A.M.

Run No. 2—Hawthorne Boulevard South of Sepulveda, Wal-

teria, Lower Riviera. Stops at Hawthorne and 230th, Hawthorne and 238th, Hawthorne and 244th, Del Campo and Colinas, De Gracia and Ventura, De Gracia and Los Altos. First stop Hawthorne and 230th at approximately 7:20 A.M.

Run No. 3—Riviera Area. Stops at Colinas and Miramar, Alameda and Arboles, Granada and Madrid, Granada and Colusa, Miramar and Sevilla, Miramar and Miradores, Miramar and Calle Mayor, Calle Mayor and El Chico. First stop Colinas and Miramar at approximately 7:25 A.M.

Run No. 4—Seaside Ranchos, Sepulveda west of Hawthorne. Stops at Roberts Road and Doris Way, Roberts Road and Carol Drive, Linda Drive and Sharynne Lane, Sepulveda and Ellinwood,

Sepulveda and Martha, Sepulveda and Hawthorne. First stop Roberts Road and Doris Way at approximately 7:25 A.M.

Run No. 5—West Torrance and El Nido. Stops at Torrance and Arnie, Arnie and Emerald, Arnie and Spencer, Spencer and Hawthorne, Hawthorne and Del Amo, 182nd and Hawthorne. First stop (Continued on Page 2)

Adult School To Open Here September 22

The Adult Education Division of the Torrance Unified School District will start the fall term of classes on Monday, September 22. Both day and evening classes are scheduled.

According to Vernon Sheblak, the new Director of Adult Education, a wide variety of courses are being offered, including: Arts and Crafts; Leather and Metalcraft; Ceramics; Textile Painting; Business; Shorthand; Typing; Home and Family Living; Cake Decorating; Dressmaking and Tailoring; Lampshades, Rugmaking; Knitting; Parent Education; Upholstery; Industrial Arts; Machine Shop; Woodshop; Physical Education; Physical Fitness for Men and Women; Social Dancing; Square Dancing.

There is no tuition charge for adult education classes and enrollment will be taken care of in the classroom by the instructor. A complete class schedule will be published in the Torrance Press next Thursday. Class information can be obtained from the Torrance Adult Education Office, 2200 Carson St., or Telephone Torrance 1518, it was disclosed.

Blood Unit Here October 6

It's blood bank time again! Red Cross Mobile Blood Unit will be stationed at Civic Auditorium on October 6th, from 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., it was announced today by the local chapter of the American Red Cross. Whole blood is urgently needed both in Korea and on the home front. All able-bodied persons, age 21 to 60 years old, are urged to participate in this nationwide drive for whole blood.

Because of the urgent need, the Torrance Press is contributing the space for the coupon printed below, in an effort to make this blood drive the most successful yet. Make your appointment today.

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Swimmers End Summer Program



—Press Photo
SWIMMERS—Ending a summer of swimming instruction at Alondra Park Pool are members of Girl Scout troop 1299, sponsored by Fern-Greenwood P-TA. Mrs. Genevieve Vanderpool, past-president of the P-TA, taught the swimming classes. Girls are working for their Girl Scout 100-yard swimming certificate.

VOTE REGISTRATION DEADLINE TODAY